

Rogers (MI) Simpson Tiahrt
Rohrabacher Smith (TX) Turner
Royce Souder Weldon (FL)
Ryun (KS) Stearns Westmoreland
Schmidt Sullivan Wicker
Sessions Taylor (NC) Wilson (SC)
Shadegg Terry Young (AK)
Shuster Thornberry Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—3

Costa Diaz-Balart, M. Hyde

□ 1849

Mr. GALLEGLY and Mrs. DRAKE changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. McCAUL of Texas changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the motion to instruct was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ESTABLISHING THE TASK FORCE ON OCEAN POLICY

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CAMP of Michigan). The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 599.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Washington (Mr. HASTINGS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 599, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 103, nays 327, not voting 3, as follows:

[Roll No. 631]

YEAS—103

Abercrombie Harris Rehberg
Akin Hastings (WA) Reynolds
Allen Hobson Rogers (AL)
Bartlett (MD) Hoekstra Rogers (KY)
Barton (TX) Hunter Rogers (MI)
Bass Inslee Ros-Lehtinen
Biggert Jenkins Ruppersberger
Bilirakis Johnson (CT) Saxton
Bishop (UT) Johnson (IL) Schwarzenegger
Blunt Jones (NC) Shaw
Boehlert Kelly Sensenbrenner
Boehner King (NY) Shaw
Bradley (NH) Kingston Shays
Burgess Kirk Sherwood
Cannon Kolbe Shuster
Capito Latham Simmons
Cardin Leach Simpson
Cardoza Lewis (KY) Smith (NJ)
Case Mack Smith (TX)
Castle McCaul (TX) Souder
Cubin McCreery Sweeney
Davis, Tom McHugh Upton
DeLay Melancon Van Hollen
Dent Mica Walden (OR)
Diaz-Balart, L. Michaud Walsh
Dreier Miller (MI) Wamp
Duncan Myrick Weldon (FL)
Ehlers Osborne Weldon (PA)
English (PA) Petri Weller
Fortenberry Platts Whitfield
Fossella Price (GA) Fitzpatrick (PA)
Frelinghuysen Pryce (OH) Flake
Gerlach Putnam Wolf
Gilchrest Ramstad Young (AK)
Gillmor Regula Young (FL)

NAYS—327

Ackerman Andrews Baird
Aderholt Baca Baker
Alexander Bachus Baldwin

Barrett (SC) Gibbons
Barrow Gingrey
Bean Gohmert
Beauprez Gonzalez
Becerra Goode
Berkley Goodlatte
Berman Gordon
Berry Granger
Bishop (GA) Graves
Bishop (NY) Green (WI)
Blackburn Green, Al
Blumenauer Green, Gene
Bonilla Grijalva
Bonner Gutierrez
Bono Gutknecht
Boozman Hall
Boren Harman
Boswell Hart
Boucher Hastings (FL)
Boustany Hayes
Boyd Hayworth
Brady (PA) Hefley
Brady (TX) Hensarling
Brown (OH) Herger
Brown (SC) Herseth
Brown, Corrine Higgins
Brown-Waite, Hinchey
Ginny Hinojosa
Burton (IN) Holden
Butterfield Holt
Buyer Honda
Calvert Hooley
Camp (MI) Hostettler
Campbell (CA) Hoyer
Cantor Hulshof
Capps Inglis (SC)
Capuano Israel
Carnahan Issa
Carson Istook
Carter Jackson (IL)
Chabot Jackson-Lee
Chandler (TX)
Chocola Jefferson
Clay Jindal
Cleaver Johnson, E. B.
Clyburn Johnson, Sam
Coble Jones (OH)
Cole (OK) Kanjorski
Conaway Kaptur
Conyers Keller
Cooper Kennedy (MN)
Costa Kennedy (RI)
Costello Kildee
Cramer Kilpatrick (MI)
Crenshaw Kind
Crowley King (IA)
Cuellar Kline
Culberson Knollenberg
Cummings Kucinich
Davis (AL) Kuhl (NY)
Davis (CA) LaHood
Davis (FL) Langevin
Davis (IL) Lantos
Davis (KY) Larsen (WA)
Davis (TN) Larson (CT)
Davis, Jo Ann LaTourette
Deal (GA) Lee
DeFazio Levin
DeGette Lewis (CA)
Delahunt Lewis (GA)
DeLauro Linder
Dicks Lipinski
Dingell LoBiondo
Doggett Lofgren, Zoe
Doolittle Lowey
Drake Lucas
Edwards Lungren, Daniel
Emanuel E.
Emerson Lynch
Engel Maloney
Eshoo Manzullo
Etheridge Marchant
Evans Markey
Everett Marshall
Farr Matheson
Fattah Matsui
Feeney McCarthy
Finer McColm (MN)
Fitzpatrick (PA) McCotter
Flake McDermott
Foley McGovern
Forbes McHenry
Ford McIntyre
Foxy McKeon
Frank (MA) McKinney
Franks (AZ) McMorris
Gallegly McNulty
Garrett (NJ) Meehan
Meek (FL) Terry

Meeks (NY) Thomas
Menendez Thompson (CA)
Millender Thompson (MS)
McDonald Thornberry
Miller (FL) Tiahrt
Miller (NC) Tiberi
Miller, Gary Tierney
Miller, George Towns
Mollohan Turner
Moore (KS)
Moore (WI)
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
Murphy
Murtha
Musgrave
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
Neugebauer
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nunes
Nussle
Oberstar
Obey
Olver
Ortiz
Otter
Owens
Oxley
Pallone
Pascarelli
Pastor
Paul
Payne
Pearce
Pelosi
Pence
Peterson (MN)
Peterson (PA)
Pickering
Pitts
Poe
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Price (NC)
Radanovich
Rahall
Rangel
Reichert
Renzi
Reyes
Rohrabacher
Ross
Rothman
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
Sabo
Salazar
Sanchez, Linda
T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sanders
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schmidt
Schwartz (PA)
Scott (GA)
Scott (VA)
Serrano
Sessions
Shadegg
Sherman
Shimkus
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Sodrel
Solis
Spratt
Stark
Stearns
Strickland
Stupak
Sullivan
Tancredo
Tanner
Tauscher
Taylor (MS)
Taylor (NC)
Terry

Udall (CO) Waxman
Udall (NM) Weiner
Velázquez Westmoreland
Visclosky Wexler
Wasserman Wicker
Schultz Wilson (SC)
Waters Woolsey
Watson Wu
Watt Wynn

NOT VOTING—3

Diaz-Balart, M. Ferguson Hyde

□ 1858

Mr. DICKS changed his vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So (two-thirds of those voting having not responded in the affirmative) the motion was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

TRAFFICKING VICTIMS PROTECTION REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2005

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SCHWARZ of Michigan). The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 972, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 972, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 426, nays 0, not voting 7, as follows:

[Roll No. 632]

YEAS—426

Abercrombie Brady (TX) Davis (AL)
Ackerman Brown (OH) Davis (CA)
Aderholt Brown (SC) Davis (IL)
Akin Brown, Corrine Davis (KY)
Alexander Brown-Waite, Davis (TN)
Allen Ginny Davis, Jo Ann
Andrews Burgess Davis, Tom
Baca Burton (IN) Deal (GA)
Bachus Butterfield DeFazio
Baird Calvert DeGette
Baker Camp (MI) Delahunt
Baldwin Campbell (CA) DeLauro
Barrett (SC) Cannon DeLay
Barrow Cantor Dent
Bartlett (MD) Capito Diaz-Balart, L.
Barton (TX) Capps Dicks
Bass Capuano Dingell
Bean Cardin Doggett
Beauprez Cardoza Doolittle
Becerra Carnahan Doyle
Berkley Carson Drake
Berman Carter Dreier
Berry Case Duncan
Biggert Castle Edwards
Bilirakis Chabot Ehlers
Bishop (GA) Chandler Emanuel
Bishop (NY) Chocola Emerson
Bishop (UT) Clay Engel
Blackburn Cleaver English (PA)
Blumenauer Clyburn Eshoo
Blunt Coble Etheridge
Boehlert Cole (OK) Evans
Boehner Conaway Everett
Bonilla Conyers Farr
Bono Cooper Fattah
Boozman Costa Feeney
Boren Costello Filner
Boswell Cramer Fitzpatrick (PA)
Boucher Crenshaw Flake
Boustany Cubin Foley
Boyd Cuellar Forbes
Bradley (NH) Culberson Ford
Brady (PA) Cummings Fossella

Foxx
Frank (MA)
Franks (AZ)
Frelinghuysen
Gallegly
Garrett (NJ)
Gerlach
Gibbons
Gilchrest
Gillmor
Gingrey
Gohmert
Gonzalez
Goode
Goodlatte
Gordon
Granger
Graves
Green (WI)
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Grijalva
Gutierrez
Gutknecht
Hall
Harman
Harris
Hart
Hastings (FL)
Hastings (WA)
Hayes
Hayworth
Hefley
Hensarling
Herger
Hersth
Higgins
Hinchey
Hinojosa
Hobson
Hoekstra
Holden
Holt
Honda
Hooley
Hostettler
Hoyer
Hulshof
Hunter
Inglis (SC)
Insee
Israel
Issa
Jackson (IL)
Jackson-Lee
(TX)
Jefferson
Jenkins
Jindal
Johnson (CT)
Johnson (IL)
Johnson, E. B.
Johnson, Sam
Jones (NC)
Jones (OH)
Kanjorski
Kaptur
Keller
Kelly
Kennedy (MN)
Kennedy (RI)
Kildee
Kilpatrick (MI)
Kind
King (IA)
King (NY)
Kingston
Kirk
Kline
Knollenberg
Kolbe
Kucinich
Kuhl (NY)
LaHood
Langevin
Lantos
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Latham
LaTourette
Leach
Lee
Levin
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (GA)
Lewis (KY)
Linder
Lipinski
LoBiondo

Lofgren, Zoe
Lowey
Lucas
Lungren, Daniel
E.
Lynch
Mack
Maloney
Manzullo
Marchant
Markey
Marshall
Matheson
Matsui
McCarthy
McCaul (TX)
McCollum (MN)
McCotter
McCrery
McDermott
McGovern
McHenry
McHugh
McIntyre
McKeon
McKinney
McMorris
McNulty
Meehan
Meek (FL)
Meeks (NY)
Melancon
Menendez
Mica
Michaud
Millender
McDonald
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
Miller (NC)
Miller, Gary
Miller, George
Mollohan
Moore (KS)
Moore (WI)
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
Murphy
Murtha
Musgrave
Myrick
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
Neugebauer
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nunes
Nussle
Oberstar
Obey
Oliver
Ortiz
Osborne
Otter
Owens
Oxley
Pallone
Pascrell
Pastor
Paul
Payne
Pearce
Pelosi
Pence
Peterson (MN)
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Platts
Poe
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Price (GA)
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Putnam
Radanovich
Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Regula
Rehberg
Reichert
Renzi
Reyes

Reynolds
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Ross
Rothman
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Ruppersberger
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
Sabo
Salazar
Sánchez, Linda
T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Saxton
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schmidt
Schwartz (PA)
Schwarz (MI)
Scott (GA)
Scott (VA)
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Sherwood
Shimkus
Shuster
Simmons
Simpson
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Sodrel
Solis
Souder
Spratt
Stark
Stearns
Strickland
Stupak
Sullivan
Sweeney
Tancredo
Tanner
Tauscher
Taylor (MS)
Taylor (NC)
Terry
Thomas
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi
Tierney
Towns
Turner
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)
Upton
Van Hollen
Velázquez
Visclosky
Walden (OR)
Walsh
Wamp
Wasserman
Schultz
Waters
Watson
Watt
Waxman
Weiner
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
Westmoreland
Wexler
Whitfield
Wicker
Wilson (NM)
Wilson (SC)

Wolf
Woolsey
Buyer
Davis (FL)
Diaz-Balart, M.

Wu
Wynn
NOT VOTING—7
Ferguson
Hyde
Istook

Young (AK)
Young (FL)

□ 1907

So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES ON H.R. 2863, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2006

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. SCHWARZ of Michigan). Without objection, the Chair appoints the following conferees: Messrs. YOUNG of Florida, HOBSON, BONILLA, FRELINGHUYSEN, TIAHRT, WICKER, KINGSTON, Ms. GRANGER, Messrs. WALSH, ADERHOLT, LEWIS of California, MURTHA, DICKS, SABO, VISCLOSKEY, MORAN of Virginia, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. EDWARDS and Mr. OBEY.

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote is objected to under clause 6 of rule XX.

RECORD votes on postponed questions will be taken at a later time.

REVERSE MORTGAGES TO HELP AMERICA'S SENIORS ACT

Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2892) to amend section 255 of the National Housing Act to remove the limitation on the number of reverse mortgages that may be insured under the FHA mortgage insurance program for such mortgages.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 2892

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Reverse Mortgages to Help America's Seniors Act".

SEC. 2. ELIMINATION OF CAP ON NUMBER OF MORTGAGES INSURED.

Section 255 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–20) is amended—

(1) in subsection (g), by striking the first sentence; and

(2) in subsection (i)(1)(C), by striking "limitations" and inserting "limitation".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. FITZPATRICK) and

the gentleman from Utah (Mr. MATHE-SON) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania.

Mr. FITZPATRICK of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, as we continue to try and find the best ways to improve retirement security for our Nation's seniors, I have looked at numerous programs to lessen the burden that our numerous seniors face: health care, transportation, and homeownership. As a former Bucks County Commissioner and now as a Member of Congress representing Pennsylvania's 8th Congressional District, I have received many calls and letters from seniors looking to find ways to pay their bills so that they could stay in their homes.

Mr. Speaker, earlier this year, I had the great opportunity to meet Arthur Gerald, a constituent from New Hope, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, who took advantage of the reverse mortgage program. Arthur was faced with a horrible decision, whether to sell the home he had built for himself and his wife to pay mounting financial obligations or face certain financial ruin. Arthur told me stories of how he, as a young Broadway actor, moved from New York to Pennsylvania with his wife. His house was more than a home. It became a centerpiece of the community. He built a stage in his backyard to perform plays and shows for his neighbors. His house was a focal point for the community. Listening to his stories, I realized that the house was more than four walls and a roof. It was his life, it was his past, and it was his future.

The reverse mortgage allowed Arthur to stay in his home. He harnessed the power of this loan to achieve financial security and independence and to preserve his memories.

Today, I am proud to bring bipartisan, AARP-endorsed legislation to the floor that would help even more seniors preserve their homes and their memories. The Reverse Mortgages to Help America's Seniors Act, H.R. 2892, makes necessary improvements to the Department of House and Urban Development's Home Equity Conversion Mortgage program by removing the statutory limitation, or ceiling, on the aggregate number of FHA-insured reverse mortgages that may be issued in any given year. Only a complete removal of the volume cap will prevent the possibility of future program disruption that will be detrimental to America's seniors.

A reverse mortgage is a unique loan that enables senior homeowners to convert part of the equity in their homes into tax-free income without having to sell the home, give up title, or take on a new monthly mortgage payment.

Reverse mortgages are aptly named because the payment stream is, in fact, reversed. Instead of making monthly payments to the lender as with a regular mortgage, the lender makes payments to the homeowner. The homeowner has great flexibility in choosing